The composition of Indian Basket of Crude represents Average of Oman and Dubai for sour grades and Brent (Dated) for sweet grade in the ratio of 58:42 for year 2005-06 and 2006-07, for prior period ratio considered is 57:43.

Constitution of Sixth Pay Commission

*35. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK:
SHRI LALIT SURI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to constitute Sixth Pay Commission;

(b) by what date the same is likely to be constituted; and

(c)the details of proposed terms of reference of the Commission?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) The Government on 20.7.2006, have decided to constitute a Pay Commission for Central Government employees. The Sixth Pay Commission is likely to be set up shortly.

2. The proposed terms of reference of the Sixth Pay Commission, which are being finalized would broadly include the principles that should govern the structure of pay, allowances, bonus and other facilities/benefits and the date of effect thereof; the categories of employees who will be covered by these recommendations; working out a comprehensive pay package that is suitably linked to promoting efficiency, productivity and economy for transforming the Central Government Organizations into modern, professional and citizen-friendly entities dedicated to the service of the people; examining the principles which should govern the structure of pension/pensionary benefits for the present and former Central Government employees; and examining the desirability, need and quantum of interim relief.

Preservation and promotion of Tribal Culture

*36. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:
SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state: